

St. Michael Catholic Church

106 N. Western Ave.
Girard, KS 66743
(620)724-8717



<u>MASS SCHEDULE</u>	<u>GIRARD</u>	<u>ARMA</u>
Saturday	5:30pm	4:00pm
Sunday	10:00am	8:00am

<u>CONFESSION</u>	<u>GIRARD</u>	<u>ARMA</u>
Saturday	2:00-2:30pm	3:15-3:45pm
Weekdays before Mass, anytime by appointment		

RECTORY HOURS
Tuesday-Friday 9:00am-Noon
Rectory: (620)724-8717
In Case of Emergency: (785)917-1828

PARISH WEBSITE:
www.stmichaelgirard.com

STAFF Pastor: Fr. Floyd McKinney
Secretary: Faith Paoni
Bookkeeper: Janel Scales
Bulletin Editor: Nancy Bauer
nbauer@girard248.org

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:
Fridays from 8:00am to 6:00pm

<u>UPCOMING EVENTS:</u>	
<u>Finance Council</u> Tony Stonerock, Chair	<u>Parish Council</u> TBA
<u>Altar Society</u> 4th Monday of month 6:00pm	<u>Knights of Columbus</u> 1st Tuesday of Month at 7pm St. Michael Hall
<u>Helping Hands</u> Carrie Smith 724-6684	<u>Daughters of Isabella</u> Marilyn Bradshaw 724-7133

Kapaun's Men: Friday mornings at 6am

From the Pastor,

It is December 27th and 9 degrees; I don't like cold. There are many others who could say it is even colder where they are living. Then there are things that are worse than the cold. Think of all those who are still going without electricity because of a hurricane...or their house was taken by that same hurricane OR fire. Yea some of those houses were of people who have other means of living, but a lot of them maybe not so much. I am also thinking of the people of Venezuela who have not had a natural disaster but political disaster in my eyes. It is hard for people to live when their world is in turmoil. When you can not find the medicine you need, what can you do. The good news is that they have family and friends; that is still an important value with the people. In this time of celebrating the coming of the Son to be in our world we also celebrate the grace that God gives us in our family. We may be cold or uncomfortable for some other reason but there are ways that we can 'count our blessings' because we have reason to rejoice. St Paul tells us: Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.

"WHO ARE YOU FOLLOWING?"

Today, as we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family, we should consider the role of stewardship within our own families. Do we receive one another with love and gratitude? Do we recognize each other's gifts? Do we care properly for one another? As followers of Jesus Christ, we should be doing these things within our immediate families, within our social families, and within our parish families. As we are all brothers and sisters in Christ, no one is exempt from being treated with love and dignity! In a world where the idea of family is rapidly breaking down, let us follow the example of the Christ child in showing love and respect to the members of our various families.



Mass Schedule and Intentions for Dec. 30-Jan. 7

Date	Day	Time	Celebrant	Intention	Minister
Dec 30	Saturday	4:00pm	Intentions of the Celebrant	Arma	
		5:30pm	Ron Breneman	Girard	
31	Sunday	8:00am	Frank Doue	Arma	
		10:00am	For the People	Girard	
		5:30pm	Verl Diskin	Girard	
Jan 01	Monday	10:00am	Rosemary O'Toole	Girard	
		12:00pm	Fred Bogina	Arma	
02	Tuesday	5:30pm	Intention of the Celebrant	Arma	
03	Wednesday	6:30pm	J.B. Nick	Girard	
04	Thursday	8:00am	Intention of the Celebrant	Arma	
		8:30am-12:30pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Arma	
05	Friday	7:00am	Pete DeLange	Girard	
		8:00am-6:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Girard	
06	Saturday	4:00pm	Fred Bogina	Arma	
		5:30pm	The Nick Family	Girard	
07	Sunday	8:00am	Harry VanLeeuwen	Arma	
		10:00am	For the People	Girard	

Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

Saturday (1/6/18)	Sunday (1/7/18)
Saturday (1/6/18) 5:30pm	Sunday (1/7/18) 10:00am
Altar Servers: C. & M. Reif	A. & C. Doherty
EMHS: Linda DeGarmo	Linda Garrett
Lector: Butch Reif	Ruth Duling
Gift Bearers: Volunteers	Volunteers

COLLECTIONS		
	Last Week	July 2017 to date
Contributions	\$2,580.00	\$67,322.85
Children's Offering	\$14.00	\$343.88
Expenses		\$55,919.42
Over/ (Under)		\$11,747.31
Building Fund Contributions	\$1,695.00	
Building Fund Loan Balance	\$87,275.26	

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

We will be taking down the Christmas Decorations after mass on Sunday, January 7th. Any and all help will be much appreciated.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

I will be hearing confessions before all Masses; that means I will be in the confessional until 10 minutes before each Mass, daily and weekend. At the present time, I will continue the 2:00pm time on Saturdays in Girard as well.

MASS INTENTIONS

Please put any Mass requests in an envelope and place it in the collection basket. Please include your name, the name of the person the Mass is for, the dates requested and the stipend.

NFP CLASSES

Family of the Americas Ovulation Method classes are offered by appointment at St. Michael's Hall in Girard, 724-6990.

CRAFT DAY

Craft day will be the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month from 8:30am until 1:30pm in the parish hall.

KAPAUNS MEN

The men's group Kapauns Men will resume meeting on Jan. 12 at 6:00am in the parish hall.

PSR CANCELLATION POLICY

Reminder: Any time school is not in session (weather, school holiday) for USD 248, PSR classes are not held. The cancellation will also be posted on the St. Michael Parish website and the St. Michael's Facebook page.

PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for Gerald Azember, Mary Ita Brown (mother of Judy Widner), Audrey Casassa, Gerald Davied, Mary Davied, Gary Dowling, Fred & Marjorie Giefer, Ron Lallemand, Crystal Larmer (Marilyn Bradshaw's sister), Donna Little, Herman Masser, Rosemary O'Toole, the family of Rhaysa Velazquez Paoni (in Puerto Rico), Howard Peak, Janice Madl Pennewell (daughter of Alban Madl), Marie Pyle, Carter Roberts, Sarah (last name withheld), Tom Weston, and Judy Widner who are ill or in need of prayers.

A DEFINITION OF THE NEW YEAR

*The new year is a door
By which we reach new fields
Of service for God and fellow man:
A door by which we can explore
Wide spheres of usefulness
Our world to bless,
And reap the sheaves God's word of witness yields.*

*The new year is a task
Set by the Master of our souls,
A little part of our life's work below:
And so we ask holy wisdom which alone controls
Our labor, teaching what and where to sow:
That the year, at its end,
May show God's glory and man's profit blend.*

*The new year is a book
With many pages, and as yet all white
On which to write
The history of thought, and deed, and word
In this new group of days.
We pray thee, Lord,
As thou shalt look upon the book,
When written over, may all be to Thy praise.*



GREENWING L.L.C.
LAWN & TREE

Andrew Lance
(620) 724-2441

O'TOOLE CONSTRUCTION INC.
LAND IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTORS

Improve Your Land-Increase Your Worth

952 W. 47 HWY GIRARD, KS 66743

Jim O'Toole 620-724-8536 620-724-3225 c
Ronnie O'Toole 620-632-5165 620-724-2754 c
Tim O'Toole 620-724-8998 620-238-0430 c

Your business' advertisement here helps offset our parish's bulletin expenses and gets your business noticed!

CARPET · TILE · VINYL · HARDWOOD · CABINETS
FURNITURE · AREA RUGS · MATTRESSES · LIFT CHAIRS · RECLINERS & MORE!

Locally owned and operated in Brazilton KS for nearly 50 years!

DERAILED COMMODITY
FLOORING & FURNITURE
EST. 1967 620-395-2141

Hickory Bend, LLC